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This moose stuck around for hours while visitors flocked to the area to snap pictures and watch her. She never moved much and didn't seem too bothered by us all standing around watching (from a safe distance though). I must say that this year has been a record breaking year for wildlife sightings. If anyone knows any reason, do let me know. In the meantime, we'll continue to sit back and watch for our next visitors. (Any Big Foot sightings, call me right away!!)

Here we go again with the wildlife.

Like I've mentioned in previous issues, the wildlife this year has been unreal around the Communicator's head office in Wilberforce. From daily visits by a family of three deer, to raccoons visiting during the day, to bears at our local dump, and now, just recently, a daily visit by this moose, which was quickly named Gracie (she's drinking & eating from Grace River that flows into Grace Lake.



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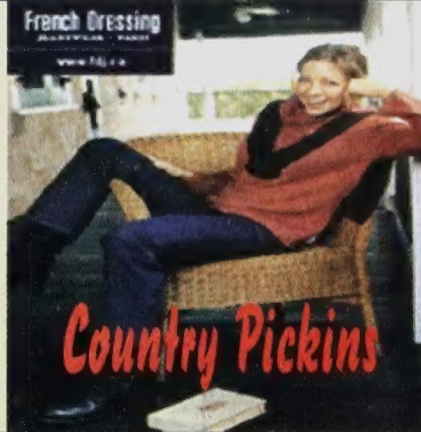
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Nominations for Business of the Year & Highlander of the Year Now Being Accepted

Once again it's time for everyone to consider whether there is a business, an individual or a group in our community worthy of recognition as Business of the Year or Highlander of the Year. Although nominees for Business of the Year are limited to Chamber members in good standing, the Highlander of the Year can be awarded to any individual or group in our community. And this year, both can be nominated by the general public, not just chamber members.

The nomination and voting processes this year are different that in the past. To begin with, most members will receive this notification and the nomination forms via e-mail – about 10% will receive them through the post office.

As mentioned above, everyone (member or not) is entitled to nominate recipients of these awards – it is, however, Chamber members that are entitled vote for the winner. In previous years it was only a committee that voted, and only members could nominate.

The Chamber feels that the changes will open up the nominating and voting by involving more people, and make the whole process fair.

Nominations will be open until October the 8th, at which time a Board committee will review all submitted nominations to ensure that all eligibility criteria have been met. The acceptable nomination forms will then be posted on the Chamber website

for review by members and the voting will take place through the website. Members without access to the Internet must make contact with the Chamber office to arrange for a paper ballot. Voting will continue until October 20th, at which time the winners will be determined. As usual, the Business and Highlander of the Year will be announced and introduced at the Annual General Meeting being held this year at the Delta Pinestone Resort.

Please give both of these nominations some careful consideration. Keep in mind the criteria for these awards – any nomination submitted without addressing all of the criteria will be rejected. Do your best to make a compelling argument in favor of your nominee since your words must convince members to vote for your nominee. Good luck.

Business of the Year - Criteria for Eligibility:

The Business of the Year Award recognizes a business, either for profit or not for profit, that: strives toward the highest levels of professionalism; successfully demonstrates a progressive attitude to employee relations; portrays a positive public image; has earned a reputation for excellence in customer service; makes regular contributions to the community and works to develop a positive business climate in the Haliburton Highlands, which includes the willingness and ability to cooperate with other local businesses for the benefit of the economic health of the Highlands.

Nominees must be a member in good standing of the Haliburton Highlands Chamber of Commerce.

Highlander of the Year - Criteria for Eligibility:

The Highlander of the Year Award recognizes the contributions and community leadership demonstrated by individuals or groups for the benefit of the Haliburton Highlands. Any resident of the Highlands who has made outstanding contributions to the community in the areas of arts, culture, heritage, community services, community economic development or the environment may be eligible for nomination. The Highlander of the Year is a community booster and a true Ambassador for the Haliburton Highlands.

How to submit a nomination:

Simply fill out the Nomination Form you can receive from the Highlands Chamber of Commerce and send back to the Haliburton Highlands Chamber of Commerce PO Box 147 Minden Ontario K0M 2K0, or fax to 705-286-6016. The Chamber's Board of Directors will review all nominations. All accepted nominations will be posted on the Chamber website and each full member of the Chamber will be entitled to vote for one nominee. The award will be presented at the Chamber's Annual General Meeting on October 22nd, 2004. Deadline for submissions is Friday, October 8th, 2004.

You can receive a form by calling the chamber at 286-1760 or 1-800-461-7677.

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Dominion Hotel & Grill on the Gull

by Stephen Patrick

Shawn Chamberlin is a businessman and entrepreneur with a clear vision of what he wants his enterprises to be. And he's more than willing to put in the necessary hard work and capitol to ensure a good chance of success.

Shawn has been a successful Hamilton area-businessman and community volunteer/activist for many years. He's been successful with businesses as diverse as general construction, advertising, and computers. He's also had a long association and fondness for Haliburton, and in particular the town of Minden.

And this year Shawn has become the owner, not only of the landmark Dominion Hotel, but also the equally old and storied neighbouring building, overlooking the Gull River at the bridge on Minden's main street.

Both buildings have been important parts of Minden's history for almost 140 years. The hotel has been a watering hole, entertainment centre, local pub, and home away from home to generations of Minden residents and travellers. For decades after Highway 121 was completed between Minden and Haliburton during the Depression of the 1930s, it was one of the few licensed establishments in the County. (Dysart Township, including the Village of Haliburton, was officially "dry" well into the 1970s).

The Gull River building was at one time a livery stable, and in the 1920s and 30s housed Minden's first General Motors dealership, for which the floors were fortified with seven-inch beams to hold the weight.

At this time no major renovations are planned for the old Dominion: Shawn wants to change the focus gradually, to re-

store a more family-friendly atmosphere and eventually become a kind of hub of entertainment for the town and County.

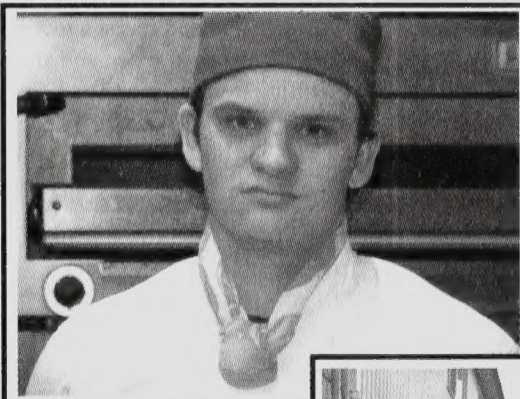
Next door, however, is another story. The entire building has been renovated and upgraded, indoors and out. Work is almost complete and Shawn hopes to open his brand new restaurant, the Grill on the Gull, by the first weekend in October. Shawn says, "The restaurant's focus is no focus. By which I mean it will be providing exciting, absolutely fresh dishes using the best ingredients available. The kitchen is an open theatre kitchen."

The Grill's chef is Will Thompson, who Shawn hired away from the Beverly Golf and Country Club near Hamilton. Will's focus is a little more specific; "we're trying for a kind of winery country, fusion cuisine with the emphasis on fresh seafood, some wild game, and seasonal vegetables."

The menu is exciting, ambitious, and has a big city Bistro

feel to it. Try an appetizer like Lemon Garlic Bay Scallops, Seared and Finished on a bed of Arugula with Toasted Almond Balsamic and Citrus Salsa, or a Potato and Rosemary Soup topped with Asiago and Grilled Pancetta with a Scallion Confit. Or the Grill's Ultimate fried cheese – an erotic blend of five cheeses seasoned with Pesto in an Egg Wrap served with Spicy Marinara Sauce.

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2nd Annual Hiking Festival features "Hiker Mike" Kirby

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Join Hiker Mike amidst the rolling beauty of the Haliburton Highlands for a weekend of trails, learning and fun. Located just 2.5 hours north of the GTA, the festival offers 30-guided hikes from family ambles to learning hikes to wilderness treks to artistic endeavours.

Here's a sample:

Gems Beneath your Boots features the world's only fluorrichterite deposit.

Kids love to Get the Scoop on Poop with Algonquin Park naturalist Kevin Clute.

**If you think you're up to it, Go all the Way on the Ridge –
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For families with kids, Starting Young includes a scavenger hunt, camouflage and the great worm escape!

(W)rites of Passage offers a walk with award winning poet and songwriter, Lea Harper.

New this year is Out and About, a wheelchair accessible trail through a mixed forest and a wetland.

Back by popular demand are the famous Walk in the Clouds, Milling 'round the Mill, a GPS Hike and Friday night's super-popular Night Hike.

Themed hikes for all ages and abilities will take place all over the county on private trails systems and Crown Land. Most walks are free and all are guided. Best of all, there's no bugs and the leaves will be spectacular!

Family BBQ & Bonfire - Friday Silent Auction & Blister Ball - Saturday

A family BBQ and bonfire on Friday night features recording artist David Archibald. This takes place at the Fish Hatchery on HCounty Rd. 1, south of Haliburton. The cost is \$5 per person and it takes place from 5 - 10 p.m.

Coyote Wild will rock your socks off at Saturday night's Silent Auction and "Blister Ball" Dance. This takes place at the Haliburton Legion from 8 p.m. - 1 a.m. The cost is \$15 per person (\$10 for T&T Members).

"We've expanded the festival after last year's success and what better place to do that than in the beautiful Haliburton Highlands. The entire county is behind the event and we're very excited about it," says organizer Lindsay Elder, Executive Director of the Haliburton Highlands Trails and Tours Network.

*For detailed list of the exciting
trail tours that are being offered,
see pages 11 & 13*

**1st Annual Signature Event for
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Grill on the Gull Presents A Mouth Watering Menu

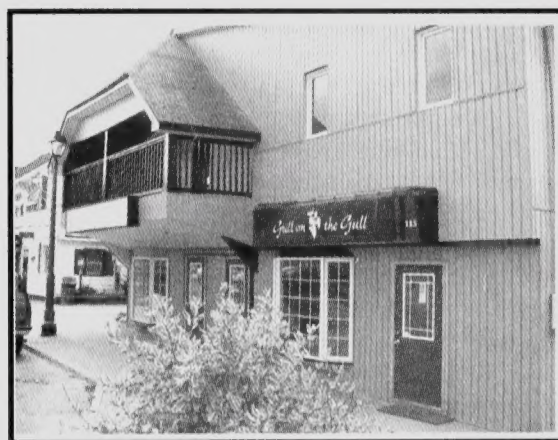
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Entrees included Lamb Shanks braised in Port Wine and Pearl Onions accompanied by a Root Cellar Mash and Grilled Tomato, and Grilled Atlantic Prawns served with White and Wild Rice Pilaf and Seasoned Vegetables served with Oak-Garlic Sauce and drizzled with Truffle Oil.

Upstairs are two new apartments, and sharing the ground floor will be a new Art Gallery featuring aboriginal art run by stone craftsman Rhae Henhawk. The Gallery is set for a winter opening.

The Grill on the Gull and the new Gallery will provide an interesting shot in the arm to Minden's main street, for sure. Shawn Chamberlin has a high regard for the history and traditions of Minden and area, and wants to ensure that the old can co-exist with the new. With these new ventures, it's proof that Minden's downtown has a lot of life left. And you can be sure that an overhaul of the street's great old lady, the Dominion, won't be far behind.

The Grill on the Gull will be open starting October 2nd. Phone 705 286-3886 for reservations.



Pictured above is the inside of the Grill on the Gull. At right are pictures of the outside of both the Dominion Hotel and Grill on the Gull. On pg 3 is picture of Grill Chef, Will Thompson.



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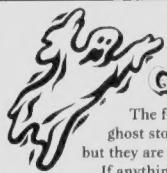
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GHOST STORIES

The following is a fun little column for those who like ghost stories... Whether these are true or not we don't know, but they are stories told by those who believe they saw real ghosts!! If anything, they do make for interesting little stories... enjoy...

Old Grierson House - Arnprior

Built in 1865 at Crown Point, the Grierson House was originally home to Lieutenant John Grierson. It's not Grierson who apparently may still be hanging about the home though...

The ownership and usage of the home has changed hands over the years and has served as the Oddfellows Hall, medical clinic and apparently, at some point as an inn.

The story, according to Joe Banks in an article titled Old Grierson House in the Arnprior Chronicle 28th October, 1980 - one night in a winter storm, a traveller was seeking shelter from the elements and for some reason, the innkeeper refused his request. The stranger froze to death that night in the snow.

After that, the 'curse' (if you will) of the stranger has been attributed to a few tragic deaths attached to the house.

Of further interest to ghost enthusiasts is the reports of mild poltergeist activity in the home. From doors rattling to phantom footsteps. From 'thumping' sounds in the attic to metallic rattling in the cellar.

Angel's of Hope Campaign: Post Your Paper Angel!

Local retailers will be posting paper angels in their windows in what is hoped to be a growing display of support for a local non-profit program. SIRCH Community Hospice for Haliburton County provides trained volunteers who support individuals with a life-threatening illness as well as their family and friends. Hospice is a concept of care...one that focuses on life not death and quality rather than quantity of life.



Patrons will be encouraged to donate \$2 for a paper angel, to be posted in the store window with the patron's name, or the name of a loved one "in memory" or just leave it blank.

You can find the Hospice angels of hope at these participating stores from October 7th to October 16th: In HALIBURTON: Haliburton IGA, Easton's Value Mart, Stedman's V&S; In KINMOUNT: Kinmount Foodland; In MINDEN: Easton's Value Mart, Dollo's IGA, Stedman's V&S; In WEST GUILFORD: West Guilford Shopping Center; In WILBERFORCE: Wilberforce IGA.

Community Hospice has increased in demand continually for the past number of years. Hospice is only funded to 57% by the provincial government which means about \$30,000 must be raised locally each year to keep up with the demand for service. It is hoped that by running this signature event during the Provincial Hospice Awareness Week it will significantly raise the profile of this vital program in our community.

Please help make a difference in someone's life.

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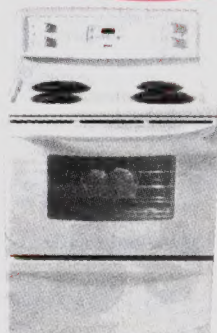
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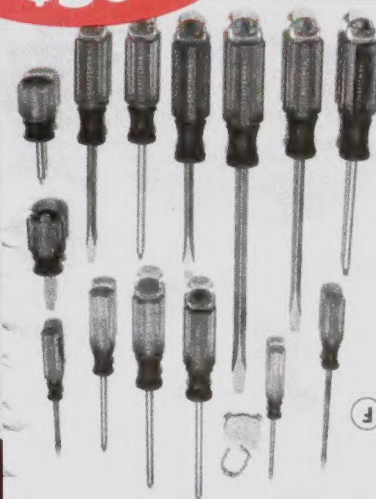
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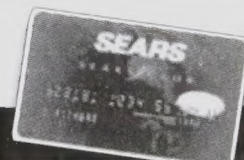


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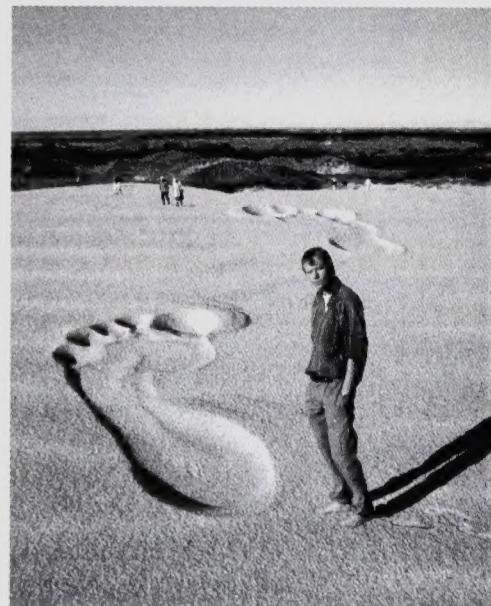
Why So Many In A Cave?

Bats have only one baby a year.

Who Would Have Tasted It First?

Honey is the only food that does not spoil. Honey found in the tombs of Egyptian pharaohs has been tasted by archaeo-logists and found edible.

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Wilberforce Curling Club Registration & Open House

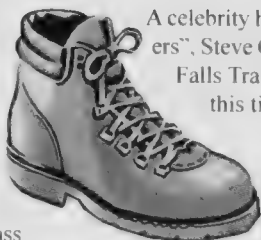
For all of you curlers out there in the Wilberforce area, there is going to be a Curling Registration and Open House on October 21st from 7-9 pm.

It is going to be held at the Wilberforce Curling Club, so make sure you get down there in time to sign up for a great new year of Curling fun. This is also your chance to check out the sport, ask any questions, and meet others who enjoy themselves every year participating in this social activity. If you haven't given curling a try – come out and see what you think – you might just like it!!

For more information, contact Cathy Agnew: 448-2470

Hike Haliburton Festival - Trail Adventures Detailed...

Hike Haliburton Festival is BIG - and this year it's bigger than ever. You definitely won't want to miss being part of all the fun. The following is a description of the various hiking opportunities for your enjoyment. Be sure to come out and enjoy all this fantastic, and popular event has to offer!!



'Gems' Beneath Your Boots

Imagine being the first person to stumble upon a world class mineral occurrence. This hike offers a once-in-a-lifetime tour of an undisturbed deposit of fluorrichterite, orthoclase, apatite and quartz. Your geologist guide will interpret the geological history and reveal the unspoiled beauty of this extraordinary site. The 3 hour tour includes 2 to 3 km of on-trail and off-trail hiking. **NOTE:** This is a non-collecting tour for viewing only. Cameras welcome, no hammers please.

Get the Scoop on Poop

Kevin Clute, an Algonquin Park naturalist, will answer all the questions you ever had about animal poop but were afraid to ask. This informative and highly entertaining experience includes an indoor scat review, an outdoor search on the Beetle Lake Trail and the highlight: learning the poop song, aptly entitled "The Scat Rap".

Goin' all the Way on the Ridge

Go the whole distance and hike the Algonquin Highlands Ridge, Circuit of Five View Points, and the new Crests of Kennisis. Your destination will be the Log Chute at the Big Hawk Lake dam. Your hike leaders will be Peter and Margaret Broden.

High on High Falls

A celebrity hike? Join in on the antics of Haliburton's own "Slackers", Steve Galea and Andy Lloyd, as they explore the scenic High Falls Trail along the York River. What caper are they planning this time? Be part of hiking history

Hike The Hills

Be a time traveler with geologist John Etches as you hike back to the birth of the Frost Centre's rugged landscape. Hit the trails for some beautiful scenery and great examples of the forces that shaped the Canadian Shield. Be prepared for a 5 km hike that will include the scenic Vista Trail. Good walking shoes or boots are recommended

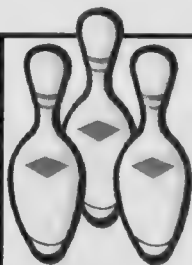
Millin' Around the Mill

Join Stouffer Mill B&B owners Don and Jessie Pflug as they explore the trail system on their 136-acre wilderness property, including a towering pine forest and several beaver ponds. Top off the tour with relaxing refreshments at their spectacular 12-sided hillside home overlooking Halls Lake.

Night Manoeuvres

Discover the magic of the night on this fun hike through forest darkness. Explore how sight takes a back seat to other senses. Activities will portray how night creatures rely on sound and scent as they manoeuvre through the darkness. You will be amazed at how your other senses come alive through a number of sensory awareness activities.

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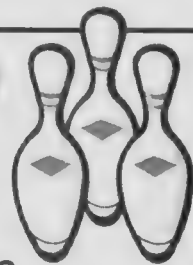


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Out and About

For those who have limited mobility, the wheelchair accessible trail at the Kinark Outdoor Centre provides the perfect setting for a fully accessible hike. This hike with Erin Derbyshire will travel through a mixed forest and a wetland. Participants will have the opportunity to learn about and identify the local flora and fauna.

Ramblin' with Ryan

Take a casual stroll through a mature hardwood forest of Wintergreen's sugar bush visiting some wetlands along the way. Ryan Dawson will share some of his inspiring poetry that reflects his relationship with the land.

Starting Young

This family hike with Erin Derbyshire will provide an opportunity for children to explore and play in the woods. Activities will include a scavenger hunt, camouflage, the great worm escape and hotdog roast to finish things off. It will be a wonderful chance for families to enjoy the outdoors together. Suitable for ages 4 - 10 with parents.

Sunny Rock Stroll

Sunny Rock Bed and Breakfast is a heritage building with an incredible history. The "Lodge" is the building that has been referred to as the "Hub of the Finnish Village", a settlement. Join Sally Moore to explore this fascinating part of the County's history including a one-hour walk around the neighbourhood, a few stories, and tea and goodies.

Sunrise Walk

A great start to a day of hiking. As we move deeper into the fall season the sun rises a little later each morning and so it makes it a little easier for us to hike the trail to the top of the Dorset tower and appreciate the sunrise. We'll savor the beauty and quiet of the early morning; the cool autumn air and fog as we do some gentle stretching (qigong) for our bodies. A light snack will be shared as well as some good organic coffee and tea. Lynda Shadbolt is your guide.

The Great Elementary School Challenge

Cheer on schools with the County-wide hiking challenge. Each class will be challenged to hike 165 km over 5 days, beginning on Oct. 8th. The first 15 classes to finish will receive a step counter from Kellogg's. All classes to meet the challenge will get to go into a draw for a pizza party at lunch.

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Thrill to the dizzying effects of this treetop boardwalk 20 m above the forest floor. A hike fee applies: \$85 for adults and \$75 for youth 10 to 17 years. Pre-registration is required. Call the Haliburton Forest at (705) 754-2198.

Wetlands Shuffle

You will visit three wetland types to explore the diversity of wetlands in the County, including the Margaret Lake Bog, a marsh and a swamp in the Pine Springs area. You will feed carnivorous plants, squeeze peat (not Pete!), talk about cranberry juice and bogeymen, search for snags, and witness the work of nature's engineers. Your guides will be Paul and Irene Heaven.

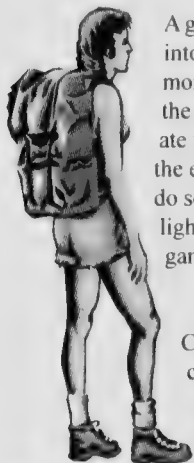
(W)rites of Passage

Join award winning poet and songwriter, Lea Harper, for a hike on the WILD Woods Trail through a mature stand of hardwoods. Lea will share some of her insightful poetry and perspectives.

And much more...

- A Forest Ecology Hike with Mike Walsh
- A Walk on the Wild Side with Rick Whitteker
- Explore the Proposed Routes for Riverwalk and the Head Lake Trail
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- In Search of Harburn Wells with Sean Pennylegion
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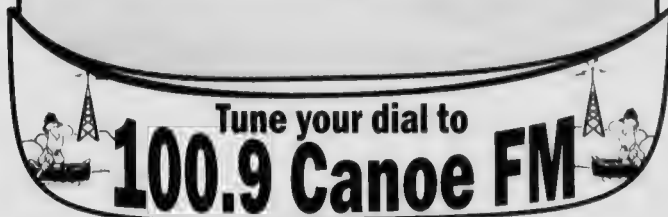
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The frog hopped into the princess' lap and said: Elegant Lady, I was once a handsome prince, until an evil witch cast a spell upon me. One kiss from you, however, and I will turn back into the dapper, young prince that I am and then, my sweet, we can marry and setup housekeeping in your castle with my mother, where you can prepare my meals, clean my clothes, bear my children, and forever feel grateful and happy doing so.

That night, as the princess dined sumptuously on a repast of lightly sautéed frog legs seasoned in a white wine and onion cream sauce, she chuckled and thought to herself:

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October is Community Support Month

Haliburton County would like to make the people of Haliburton County aware that October is Community Support month. Community Support services help people remain in their own homes, thus keeping them out of the more costly hospital beds.

Also October 1 is the international day of Older Persons. This date has been recognized by the United Nations since 1990. As the UN states, "generations invest in one another and share in the fruits of that investment, guided by the twin principles of reciprocity and equity." We live in a society where every individual has rights and responsibilities, and an active role to play.

**Johnny Burke Appearing In
Carnarvon On October 1st With
Special Guest, Guitar Great
Steve Pitticco.**



Country music fans get ready. If you missed him the first time, be sure not to miss him this time. Back by popular demand, Legendary Country musician Johnny Burke will be hitting the stage at the Lounge Café in Carnarvon on Friday October 1, at 8 pm with special guest Steve Pitticco. Johnny is well known to the country scene, from his 60's band 'Johnny and the Bees', 'The Blue Valley Boys', 'The Caribou Showband', and the syndicated television show, 'At the Caribou'. In 1972 the Caribou Showband changed its name to "Eastwind", which later became the house band on CTV's network show "Funny Farm". Johnny has opened acts for the likes of Conway Twitty, Charley Pride, Waylon Jennings, Glen Campbell to name a few. His unique vocal style gives traditional country music a unique flavor and few can match his talent for song presentation. Tickets are \$12 in advance and \$15 at the door so get yours today. To find out more details you can call the Lounge Café at 489-3311 or visit the web site www.theloungecafe.ca.

Big Bingo in Harcourt

Head to the Harcourt Hall on October 16 for the annual "Big Bingo" starting at 7 p.m. The Jackpot is not one, but two hefty \$500 prize amounts - you won't want to miss out on your chance to grab one of them. For more info call Debbie Shatraw at 448-3155

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This breath-taking event allows pilots from all over the joy of being able to fly up to the area while enjoying the fall colors. On October 2nd -3rd make sure that you head down to the Airport to aboard your plane or just check out all the planes flying in.

There will be buses available on both of those days to take you shopping around town, and also to take you for a 3-4 hour of the Studio Art Tour.

This is going to be one magnificent Fall Color Fly In. The planned bus tour route will take you from the Airport, around the Haliburton loop, and then back to an Airport.

Bring your appetite because The Cook Shack will be open "It's going to be like Christmas Art Shopping by plane," says Berry Hart.

This spectacular event is going to be one that you are not going to want to miss out on. For more information, please contact John Packer: 705-754-2611

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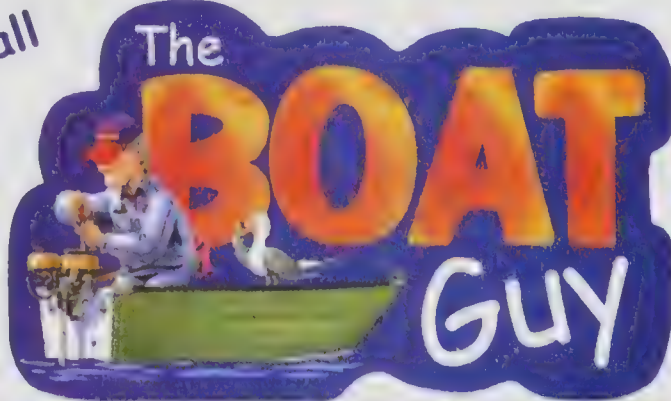
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Dumb Criminals

CONSPICUOUS GETAWAY: After a bank in Manchester, N.H., was robbed of \$24,000, witnesses gave a good description of the getaway car: a marked cruiser from the Manchester Police Department, which sped away from the robbery with its lights flashing and siren blaring. Suspicion quickly focused on Gary Sahlin, 26, an ex-officer who reportedly was having financial problems. Sahlin pleaded not guilty to the charge, but after his girlfriend told detectives he had told her the duffel bag full of cash he showed her that day was "insurance proceeds", Sahlin told them the robbery was his girlfriend's idea.

PAGING MACAULAY CULKIN: Investigators in Will County, Ill., are seeking a band of burglars they have dubbed the "Home Alone Bandits" because they're so stupid, like the bad guys in the Home Alone movies. In one recent caper, the thugs drove a front-end loader through a wall into a commercial building and dragged out the safe. Natural gas, leaking from a broken line in the wall they drove through, caught up with the crooks as they were trying to open the safe with a blowtorch. The resulting explosion and fire caused \$200,000 in damage, but "They haven't got a nickel yet," says a sheriff's spokesman. The safe, which was found still locked in the yard, only contained petty cash. "I think these guys are not really putting a lot of foresight into planning," said another police official. "The movies make it look so simple. And it really isn't."



Minden Cultural Centre Fall Programs...

The **new Fall Programming at the Minden Hills Cultural Centre** has arrived just in time as the leaves start to change!

FOR KIDS:

ARTday! Saturdays! -

October 16 - Ages 10-13 : 9am - 12pm; Ages 14-18 : 1pm - 4pm; - Drawing Techniques

October 23 - Ages 10-13 : 9am - 12pm; Ages 14-18 : 1pm - 4pm - Figure Drawing

Learn the skill to improve your drawing ability with a professional artist in Haliburton who will take you through the necessary steps to become a good illustrator. First session revisits the basics. Second session works on the methods behind drawing people.

Cost per session is \$20. Supplies required: 8.5x11 sketch pad; newsprint pad; HB pencils; eraser. Pre-registration required by calling the gallery

AFTER SCHOOL ART MONDAYS! -

Cultural Centre Common Room (Gallery/Library Building)

- 3:45pm to 5:30pm ages 9 - 13

September 20 - Drawing Animals; October 4 - Printmaking;

October 18 - Basic Graphic Design; November 1 - Action figures; November 8 - Mask Making I; November 15 - Mask Making II; November 29 - Watercolour Fun; December 13 - Decoupage for Kids;

Cost per session: Members \$30 Non-Members \$35 -
Supplies Provided - Pre-Registration Required by Calling the Gallery

CALLING ALL KIDS WHO LOVE TO WRITE!...

After School Writing Workshops

Tuesdays

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KIDWRITERS, for young writers age 8 to 12, is coming to the Gallery every other Tuesday after school, from 3:45 to 5:45, beginning in October.

Editor, writer and teacher/trainer, Marjorie Ludlow Green, has been mentoring and guiding young writers since 1995.

REGISTRATION: Phone the gallery for Pre-Registration at 286-3763

PUMKIN CARVING CONTEST!!

October 31 - This is the year to really get creative with carving and make the most amazing Jack 'O' Lantern ever. Enter and you could win a prize! Just drop your carved pumpkin off at the gallery **Friday October 22 or 23 before 5pm**. Pumpkins will be on display Hallowe'en night at the Museum grounds. Take a walk through the museum grounds - what a frightening sight!

For more information on these programs, contact Laurie Carmount, Curator Agnes Jamieson Gallery - 705-286-3763. Or visit the website at www.mindenculturalcentre.com

Fire Prevention Week

October 5 to 11 is Fire Prevention Week.

On October 9 there will be an open house at the Highlands East Firehall from 10 a.m. - 3 p.m. Everyone is welcome to stop in and see the hall, what we all have in way of equipment, and meet some of our local fire fighters.

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The Minden Horticulture Society is hosting a trip to Bala for Cranberryfest on Friday, October 15. The group will be leaving the Municipal parking lot in Minden at 9 a.m., returning by 4 p.m.

Tickets are available in advance and are only \$30. A Horticulture membership of \$5 is necessary.

The trip also includes a visit to Johnson's Cranberry Marsh and Gift Shop. The balance of the day will be at Cranberry fest in Bala.

For more information, contact Luey Gray at 286-3630.

Stanhope Craft Show & Soup Kitchen

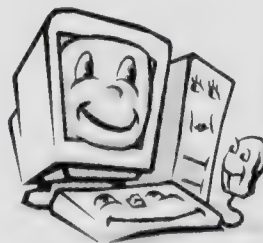
Planning on heading out on this year's Studio Tour? If so, stop in at the Stanhope Community Firefighters Hall for soup and a sandwich and at the same time, view a selection of area artisans' and crafters' works that will be on display.

The hall is located on North Shore Rd. Hwy 35, north of Carnarvon.

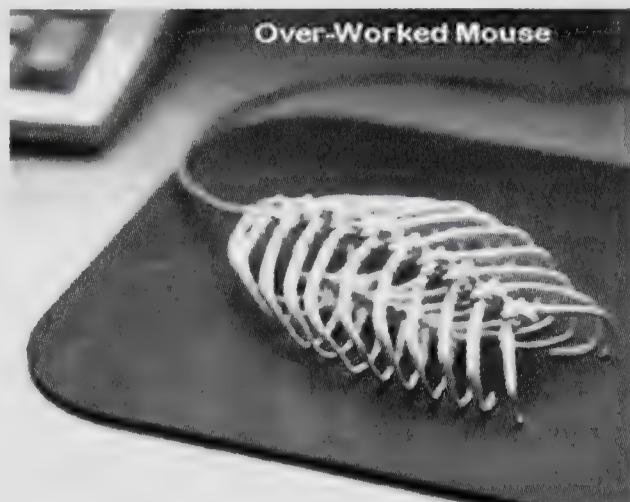
You can shop till you drop from 10 a.m. - 3 p.m. This is a great opportunity to start your Christmas shopping early, get craft ideas, and purchase your favourites.

If you get hungry, you can get soup, a sandwich, dessert and a beverage for \$6.

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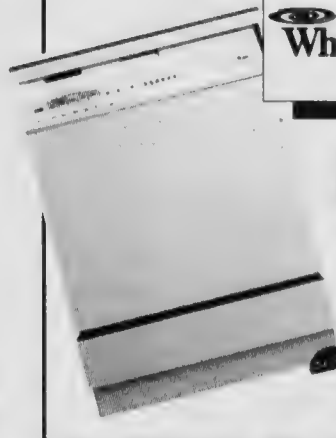
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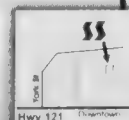
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Job Connect Can Lead To Great Futures - Just Ask Becky

For many young people finding and keeping that first job is one of life's most important early challenges. And finding the line of work that's right for you can be even more difficult. But if you're between the ages of 16 and 24, are out of work, out of school, and maybe out of patience, Haliburton has an agency that's just right for you.

Job Connect is a subsidized training program that's been helping young people to find jobs since 1989. It's funded by the Province of Ontario and administered locally by Sir Sandford Fleming College. Job Connect has three training consultants, Bernie Nicholson, Denise Vick, and Delaine Sisson who work with employers and young people to find just the right work connection. Job Connect has a highly successful track record in providing local employers with motivated young employees. The employee's wages are fully subsidized for the first two weeks of employment, and partially subsidized for up to another seven weeks. This alone is an attractive incentive for employers and recognizes the role that proper training plays in any successful employment program.

When a client comes in to Job Connect and talks with one of the training consultants, a program is developed that meets the precise needs of each individual. The program may involve just brushing off your resume and identifying potential employers, or creating resumes and cover letters from scratch. Help is available for job postings and job search techniques, but perhaps most importantly, the consultants provide friendly advice on how to find out where you want to go, what you want to do, and how to get there. As Job Connect puts it, "If you want to work, we want to help."

Job Connect also provides, with Sir Sandford, three-week Smart Serve hospitality training courses each year. And if a client wants help

with further education options, that too, can be arranged. It's a really open and flexible program that seems noticeably free of bureaucratic constraints. And this shows in the success of the program. An impressive number of clients end up with successful work experiences under their belt and a real chance at getting where they want to go in the world.

Take, for instance, Becky Consack. Two years ago Becky was out of work, out of school, and had no clear career plan. But she was certain of a few things: she loved to work, she liked people, and she was willing to learn. Becky had already completed some education upgrades, notably with computers and math. She then contacted Job Connect and met with Training Consultant Bernie Nicholson. Together, they

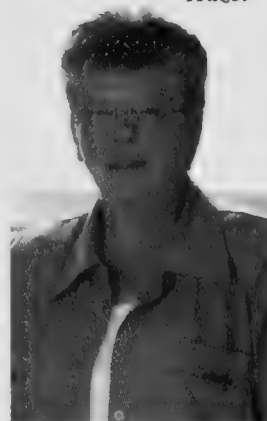
worked out a plan that involved resume creation, job interview skills, and job search strategies.

Through the years Job Connect has got to know well many area employers who have been supporters and beneficiaries of the program. One such business was Hazel's Tax Service, owned and operated by Hazel McInnis in the Kinmount area for the past 31 years. Hazel's company handles taxes, of course, but also provides bookkeeping and accounting services to a wide range of small and medium size businesses. Bernie Nicholson knew that Hazel was looking to hire an office helper for the crazy-busy months of January through March, and recommended Becky Consack, even though she had no bookkeeping, tax return, or office experience. Becky went for an interview and in January of last

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Becky got more than she bargained for through Job Connect.



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year Hazel hired her through the Job Connect program and the training began.

Hazel says: "I knew as soon as we started training Becky that the honesty and enthusiasm for the work was there. I trained her first in reception, and she

quickly started to help with the bookkeeping and payroll. She grasped concepts and ideas so fast that at the end of income tax season she was working full time in bookkeeping. And by August, when I had to go away for a few weeks, I had no qualms about leaving Becky in charge of the office."

Soon Becky was dealing with clients on her own, albeit under Hazel's watchful eye. It was pretty clear to Hazel that Becky had the ability and work ethic to make a real career in the business. Hazel had been looking for some time for someone to take over the business: 31 years of successful, hard work was just about enough. And sure enough, in December of last year Becky told her that she might just have the wherewithal to purchase the business if Hazel could stay on and continue to train her, specifically in income tax preparation. Hazel was delighted, Becky made an offer to purchase, and the deal was closed this past June.

Hazel is staying on to help this fall, part-time, and has agreed to help Becky during all of the 2004 tax season. But this time, as an employee!

Becky Consack isn't the only Job Connect client who's achieved this level of success, although to end up with your own business certainly doesn't happen that often. But over the years there have been hundreds of young people in the County whose first steps into the world of paid work have been aided and abetted by Job Connect. All you have to do is phone or drop in at Job Connect's offices, open 5 days a week in the Employment Resource Centre at the corner of Victoria and Maple Street in Haliburton, above Village Donuts. Job Connect can be reached at 705 457-2020.



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In Illinois, the law is that a car must be driven with the steering wheel.

California law prohibits a woman from driving a car while dressed in a house-coat.



Never test the depth of water with both feet.



Kidz Korner

By Trevor Guyton

Trick or Treat, on October 30th kids everywhere will be saying those words for Halloween. In this edition of Kidz Korner I will be doing a bit on costumes. The following are some low cost easy to make costumes.

Jack 'o' Lantern: This costume doesn't need a lot of work or money to make. First go to IGA and buy a bag of Halloween Pumpkin leaf bags and a bag of balloons. Cut two holes in the bottom for your legs (you can tell which side of the bag is the bottom by the face) then cut two side holes for arms. Get in the Pumpkin bag; you can tie up the top with some string or a big twist tie. Blow up enough balloons to fill the bag with the person in it. On Halloween put the balloons in the bag with the person this will make the bag puffy and light.

Football Player: This one is a little trickier. For this you need a hockey or football helmet, a life jacket and a jersey that is a bit too big. Put on your life jacket underneath the jersey this will make it seem like you have on big shoulder pads. Add on the helmet for a final touch.

A robot: To make a robot all you need is two cardboard boxes one big, a smaller one and some paint. To make the head cut an eye slot in one side of your smaller box. Then you paint the box to look like a robot's head. For the body take your bigger box and leave one end open for your legs, cut armholes and a head hole out of the box and paint it to look like a robot.

Some other popular costume ideas for Halloween are: a vampire, a witch, a cat, a wizard, and almost anything dead. Have a Happy Halloween.



I Swear To Tell The Truth...

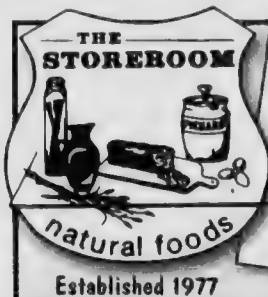
This column has tidbits of real transcripts from real court cases. In other words... the following statements were actually made in a real court of law. Enjoy...

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The Small Claims Court

Access to justice is a concern expressed by both the Chief Justice of Ontario, Roy McMurtry, and by the Chief Justice of the Superior Court of Justice, Heather Smith. The Small Claims Court is considered by them to be one forum where access to justice is available easily and at minimal legal cost. It is the largest and busiest branch of the Superior Court of Justice with 90 locations across Ontario and 370 judges. Nearly half of all civil proceedings are initiated in the Small Claims Court. Typical lawsuits are debt collection, landlord and tenant, wrongful dismissal, breach of contract, tradesmen disputes, and property damage. There are no family law or criminal law matters in the Small Claims Court.

The monetary jurisdiction of the court is \$10,000. That means that a litigant cannot sue or recover more than \$10,000. Many litigants who have claims in excess of \$10,000 will "abandon" the excess so that they can proceed in the Small Claims Court. For example, if a litigant has a claim for \$12,000 or \$13,000, it is prudent to drop the claim down to \$10,000 and proceed under the simple procedure of the Small Claims Court rather than the complex procedure of the Superior Court of Justice. In addition to less procedure, the technical requirements of court evidence are also relaxed. Hearsay evidence, for example, may be admissible and copies of documents, rather than originals, may be admitted as evidence if there is no question of their authenticity. A Small Claims Court judge is required to hear and determine all questions of law and fact "in a summary way," that means decision-making without the legal rigidity of the Superior Court system. Thus, both plaintiffs and defendants are encouraged to represent themselves in the Small Claims Court where the court's mandate is to make justice accessible to the public without incurring high legal fees.

In the next column, I will be talking about the concept of damages.



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Minden Hospital Auxiliary An Important Part of Our Local Health Services

Volunteers are an essential part of small town living, and on a daily basis raise the quality of life for the whole community. The Minden Hospital Auxiliary, for example, has been in existence for only the past four years but is already an essential part of the fabric of the Hyland Crest long-term care facility and the Minden Hospital. The Auxiliary was established when the refurbished Hyland Crest was opened along with the new Minden Hospital.

Most visitors to Hyland Crest are probably aware of the Auxiliary's Gift Shop located in the main lobby. But that's only the beginning of the work the sixty volunteers do at the hospital. Fund raising is an essential, of course, and the Gift Shop is an important contributor. But the Auxiliary also provides a Palliative Care Team for Hyland Crest, an essential service for so many residents who may not have family members available at critical times. Auxiliary

members also visit regularly with all residents, and four times a year host a special Tea Party for all. They provide a Tuck Shop service for residents, and are there to help out with any special or emergency needs. They help with flu shot clinics, and last year were front and centre when emergency evacuation drills were conducted at Hyland Crest. As President Corinne Arsenault puts it, "We are there to help, in whatever way is needed."

And what about fundraising? The members also organize a whole range of events including bake sales, card parties, and Christmas draws. Last year, through a special memorial gift, the Auxiliary donated disinfectors for Hyland Crest at a cost of \$24,000.

And just this past summer, 170 people attended a BBQ and fundraiser at the home of Margaret and George Bull that raised \$2,000 for equipment.

In the future, the Auxiliary hopes to provide services to the hospital's emergency department under the direction of the Haliburton Highlands Health Services. The Auxiliary always welcomes new members, and potential donors should know that it is a Registered Charity.

Why not join this active and important group of people - your help is always needed. For further information, please call Corinne Arsenault at 489-3330.

Pictured above are four of the members of the Minden Ladies Hospital Auxiliary, l-r Betty Sharpe, Treasurer Corinne Arsenault, President, Donna Monk, Past President, Margaret Foster, Gift Shop Volunteer



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Additions At The Minden Hospital

Minden Physiotherapy

Haliburton Highlands Health Services is pleased to inform our community members of two exciting changes in the Minden Acute Care Department. These changes are in response to an HHHS commitment to continually improve programs, and to provide healthcare close to home.

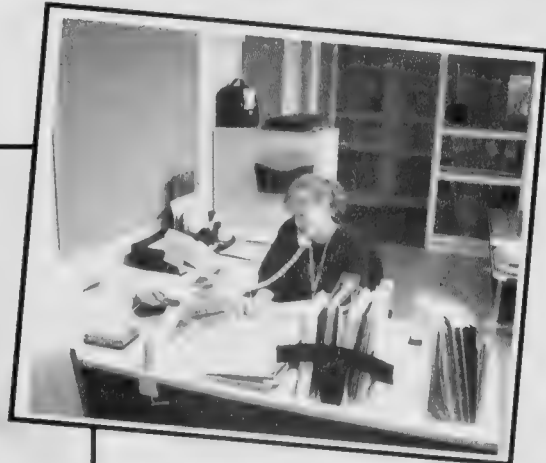
Beginning September 20th, Physiotherapy services will be available Monday to Friday afternoon from 1:00-4:30pm in Minden. The Physiotherapy Department is located in the Community Health Centre wing of the Haliburton Highlands Health Services facility.

Haliburton Highlands Health Service's physiotherapy program is publicly funded and requires a physician's referral. Appointments can be made by calling the Haliburton Site at 457-1392 ext. 226, or by faxing a medical referral to 457-2398.

Many joined the Physiotherapy staff for the official opening of this new department, and service at a come-and-go open house celebration held in Minden on September 30th.



Physio Dept.



Quiet Room

of their joint effort to create and decorate a designated quiet room for patients and families being cared for in the Minden Emergency Department. This new room will provide a comfortable sanctuary and private waiting area in which medical and nursing staff can privately communicate with, and comfort, patients and

families during difficult times.

Special thanks to the Minden Auxiliary, Jeanette Gibbons, Kim Gordon, and Mike Elder for all their hard work and dedication in supporting HHHS's efforts to make patients and families needs a priority.

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Say - I'm Off Duty

To help you mentally switch gears, develop an after-work ritual as a practical reminder to yourself that you are officially "off-duty." This can be as simple as removing your tie, jacket, or watch and putting on tennis shoes, to more involved actions such as stopping on your way home to take a walk in the park.

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Owned by the non-profit Haliburton Community Housing Corporation, Parklane and Echo Hills' creation was spearheaded by the local Legion and many prominent Haliburton business people and volunteers. Parklane has 35 single bedrooms and 15 two-bedroom apartments, and Echo Hills has 36 single bedrooms and 9 two-bedroom apartments that are home to local seniors "capable of independent living."

Many of Haliburton's seniors face a major housing crisis when they can no longer physically maintain their homes or farms, or when their incomes become insufficient to do so. Often transportation issues and social isolation are additional factors in the decision to move into facilities like Parklane or Echo Hills.



Barb Fawcett

Approximately 30% of tenants pay full-market rent, while the remaining 70% pay rent based on income. Tenants who rent a single bedroom pay "full market" rent if their total annual income, per person or couple, exceeds \$23,000. For those with incomes less than that rent is charged at approximately 30% of total income. This type of housing means that many seniors who would otherwise be forced into our overcrowded nursing homes can enjoy potentially many more years of independent living.

Barbara Fawcett is the full-time administrator for Parklane and Echo Hills, and she has a close and friendly relationship with the tenants. She's always there to help, give advice, and occasionally to sort out problems relating to the residences.

As well, Haliburton Highlands Supportive Housing Services provides in-house support for tenants who are still valiantly independent, but who might need personal care, home management, rehab, or nutritional help. The Supportive Housing Services' goal is "to augment an individual's independence, delaying the need to be admitted into a long-term care facility."



Parklane Apartments



Echo Hills Legion Apartments

Barb Fawcett tries to create an atmosphere of trust and support for the tenants. "When they need help, they come for help," says Barb. There's even a tenants association and a tenant representative on the Board of

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Most of us consider a safe and secure roof over our heads as a basic human need. And for many of Haliburton's seniors, Parklane and Echo Hills makes that need a reality.

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Crime Flashback

by Max Haines

Chilling Child Care Gertrude Baniszewski's 'Mothering' Is A Tale Of True Evil, As Max Haines Relates In Crime Flashback

LIFE HAD NOT been easy for Gertrude Baniszewski. Her father died of heart failure when she was 11, leaving her mother with six children to raise. Five years later, at 16, Gertie quit school and married 18-year-old John Baniszewski. Gertie proceeded to have four children

Gertie and John broke up after 10 years of marriage. She took the time off to marry Ed Guthrie, but their union lasted only three months. Gertie figured she had made a mistake. Then she make a bigger one. She remarried her first husband, John, and had two more children before divorcing him for the second time in 1963

Never one to be without male companionship for long, Gertie moved in with Dennis Lee Wright and promptly gave birth to child No.7 before Dennis hit the road. During her childbearing extravaganza, Gertie also had six miscarriages

TIMES WERE TOUGH

By 1965, Gertie was 37 years old and looked 50. She smoked like a chimney, suffered from asthma, and had an assortment of other aches and pains. Her sole income consisted of what she could extract from the fathers of her children. To make ends meet, she often took in ironing. Times were tough, no question about it

That's why it seemed like such a good idea when Betty and Lester Likens asked Gertie if she would care for their two young daughters while they worked for a carnival in Florida. The two girls were already acquainted with Gertie's youngsters. Gertie would pick up a much-needed \$20 a week for her trouble

In the summer of 1965, Sylvia, 16, and Jenny, 15, moved in with Gertie and her brood at 3850 East New York St. in the peaceful city of Indianapolis, Ind

Sylvia was a pleasant, quiet girl whom everyone liked. She immediately pitched in, helping out with the ironing and dishes. Jenny was also a quiet teenager. She had been born with a shrivelled left leg. Despite her handicap, she managed to dance and skate

The first week at Gertie's house passed without incident. The two Likens girls seemed to get along well with the Baniszewski youngsters. Perhaps a forerunner of Gertie's attitude towards them might be garnered from a comment she made exactly seven days after they had arrived. Gertie said, "Well, I took care of you two bitches for a week for nothing." Next day, Gertie received her \$20 weekly fee from the

girls' parents by mail.

Two days later, Mr. and Mrs. Likens took time off from the carnival business to drop in at the Baniszewski residence to see how their daughters were making out. No one complained. Everything appeared to be just fine.

For some reason, Gertie became convinced that Sylvia was hanging around a grocery store. Sylvia attempted to explain that she had found some empty pop bottles and she was returning them to earn a few extra cents spending money. Gertie wouldn't hear of it. She decided to punish Sylvia with a paddle. The paddle was a quarter-inch thick board, which Gertie applied to Sylvia's backside.

After that first time, Sylvia was always blamed for breaking the house rules. When Gertie was tired or was suffering from asthma, she appointed her daughter Paula as official paddler. Paula, at 160 lbs., relished her newfound power. She applied the paddle to Sylvia a number of times.

It wasn't all work and beatings for Sylvia. She loved to stroll in the nearby park or accompany her sister Jenny to church. But as the summer wore on, there seemed little doubt that every misfortune to befall Gertie was the imagined fault of Sylvia Likens.

At the dinner table, which one can imagine was not a very formal affair, Sylvia was often given no food at all. She was made to watch while the others ate. Sometimes, sister Jenny stole bread for her.

The poorly supervised Baniszewski household was something of a neighbourhood hangout for teenagers. When several of the youngsters observed that Sylvia submitted to abuse rather placidly, they too began taunting her and inflicting physical punishment.

Coy Hubbard, who at 15 years of age weighed 170 lbs. and stood well over 6-feet, became one of Sylvia's main tormentors. He was somewhat of a judo expert and loved to toss Sylvia into the air. In the cellar of the Baniszewski home, there was an old mattress which was supposed to provide a soft landing for Sylvia. Coy often miscalculated and Sylvia

would land with a crunch on the cement floor. Everyone laughed. No one, including Jenny, did anything about it. After all, the only adult overseeing them was Gertie and she not only approved of their behaviour but seemed to revel in it.

John Baniszewski, Jr., liked to hear Sylvia cry out in pain when he held lit cigarettes to her arms, legs and stomach. Once, Richard Hobbs choked Sylvia for such a length of time that everyone thought she was dead.

It became a dreadful game orchestrated by an evil woman who was taking out the misfortunes of her miserable life on one young girl. Mass psychology, the absence of her own parents, coupled with Sylvia's passive personality played into the twisted woman's hands.

The abuse continued, interrupted only when outsiders entered the house at 3850 East New York St. The Reverend Roy Julian dropped in to pay his respects. He left, quite concerned about how Mrs. Baniszewski, in her condition, could cope with such a large contin-



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gent of children. Mrs. Saunders, a public health nurse, paid a call. Gertie explained that a girl in her care, one Sylvia Likens, was a prostitute and was corrupting her children. Mrs. Saunders sympathized, but never returned.

Gertie decided that Sylvia was not fit to sleep upstairs with the rest of the family. The basement and the mattress would be good enough. She was thrown down the stairs into what amounted to a private dungeon. From that time on, she was fed only crackers and water. Every few days, the children would immerse Sylvia in extremely hot bath water. When pulled out, her body would be red from the heat. Once she fainted and had to be dragged out by the hair.

Sylvia, now covered with cigarette burns and other wounds from being flipped or dragged over the cement floor, received treatment from Paula. She rubbed salt into the wounds.

GAVE UP

It is difficult to pinpoint when Sylvia gave up the fight for life. Perhaps it was the day Gertie ordered Jenny to continually slap her sister's face until it turned red. After that incident, Sylvia no longer resisted any of the abuse. She just lay there and took it.

One day, some three months after Sylvia entered the Baniszewski house, Gertie ripped her blouse and shorts from her body. Richard Hobbs held Sylvia down while Gertie took a needle and began to carve, "I'm a prostitute and proud of it" into Sylvia's stomach. She tired of the task, but Richard took over and completed it. That evening, Coy Hubbard dropped in. He hit Sylvia over the head with a broomstick, knocking her unconscious.

Next morning, Sylvia was almost incoherent. She had bruises all over her body. Gertie decided she should be hosed down. A garden hose was brought into the cellar. Everyone laughed as the water splashed over the emaciated form of Sylvia Likens. She didn't move. She couldn't. She was dead.

Richard Hobbs called the police with the vague notion that they would apply mouth-to-mouth resuscitation and everything would be fine.

The abuses mentioned here are only a fraction of those actually inflicted on Sylvia Likens. Hardened career officers and medical experts stated that the Likens case was the worst case of physical abuse ever investigated in the history of the State of Indiana.

Paula Baniszewski was found guilty of murder in the second degree and was sentenced to life imprisonment. She was paroled on Feb. 23, 1973, after serving seven years in prison.

John Baniszewski, Coy Hubbard and Richard Hobbs were found guilty of manslaughter and were sentenced to from two to 21 years in the Indiana State Reformatory. All have been paroled.

Gertude Baniszewski was found guilty of murder in the first degree and sentenced to life imprisonment in the Indiana Women's Prison. She was paroled on Dec. 4, 1985, after serving just under 20 years in prison.

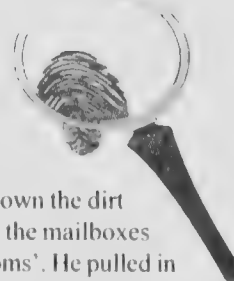
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GERTRUDE BANISZEWSKI, 37, says goodbye to her son John, 13, before she begins serving a life sentence.

2. photo of SYLVIA LIKENS

It's always darkest before dawn. So if you're going to steal your neighbour's newspaper, that's the time to do it.

Who Dun-It



Detective Wilberforce was driving down the dirt country road shining his spotlight on the mailboxes until he found the one that said 'Victoms'. He pulled in up the long driveway and knocked on the front door where he was greeted by the butler Jeeves who showed him in.

Mr. Victom explained to the detective that he had been robbed during the night. "Did you see or hear anything?" asked the detective.

"No, I'm a very sound sleeper and I sleep with ear plugs in anyway. Jeeves woke me up about an hour ago and I noticed that my safe was opened and over \$10,000 in cash was stolen. The robber also took my wife's diamond collection."

"Did your wife see anything?" asked the detective.

"No, she's a sound sleeper like me. She's upstairs. She'll be down in a minute to talk to you detective."

"I'd like to talk with Jeeves if I could then". Jeeves was called in and Wilberforce asked him to describe what he'd heard or seen.

"I was asleep in my quarters when I was awakened by a slamming door. I looked out the front window just in time to see a man get into a red car and drive out on the road.

"Can you give a description of the man you saw?" asked the detective.

"Sure, he was about mid 20's with red hair, a thin moustache, and a New York Yankees ball cap on," replied Jeeves describing the suspect.

Wilberforce approached Mr. Victom and said, "I won't need to talk to your wife after all, sir. We have already found our robber right here".

What does the detective mean?

answer pg. 52...

Case of the Sound Sleeper



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Michelle Pierson has a unique appreciation of the old, the used, and the unloved. Michelle is a Minden area artist and craftsperson with a focus and a purpose. For example, what to you or me might be a useless old window frame is to Michelle the start of a beautiful and unique corner cupboard or tabletop. Scraped down doors and old orange crates become bedroom storage units: broken down Christmas ornaments and artefacts become fascinating wreaths.

Michelle lives by the credo: "reduce, reuse, and recycle". She uses whatever materials she can lay her hands on to create her wildly original art. Old doors, windows, and orange crates are just the beginning. Egg cartons become papier-mache bowls, bits of leather re-emerge as masks, and scrap metal is moulded into sculpture. Her house, which doubles as her studio and exhibition space, has walls filled with the moon and floors which gleam with the shades of the night sky.

Why is she inspired by old doors and windows? "I love history and the sense of a community's past: when I look at these old, abandoned windows I wonder who stood there and looked out, and what did they see? And how many



generations have looked through these same windows?"

Michelle just recently managed to salvage some old windows from a barn in the Lutterworth area. The frames were covered in graffiti, some referring to nights at the old Rockcliffe Hotel. These will soon become cabinets for books or videos, or possibly china cabinets, or even what's called gate-leg tables. With, of course, the graffiti proudly intact.

The art in this house isn't all created by Michelle. Her 15-year-old daughter Sarah has completed a stunning red corset made out of, you guessed it, duct tape. Her 22-year-old son James is working his way into the film industry in Toronto, but he too has contributed, in his own way, to the studio. Michelle has made what might be the world's most unusual quilt using baby clothes worn by James: she calls it her day-care quilt, and it's definitely more than something only a mother could love.

Michelle has called the Minden area home for the past seven years and has been a committed Food Bank volunteer and community worker. She's a very practical person, at home with saws, sanders, and lathes: she also works on contract as an "official representative of the MTO" on road construction sites. During her time in this area she's won more than 30 ribbons for her pottery and crocheting (did I mention she's a dressmaker?) at the Kinmount and Monmouth Fairs. And now she's ready for the next step.

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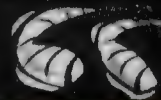
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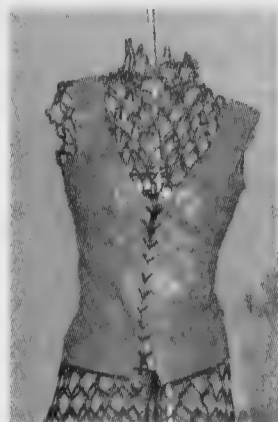
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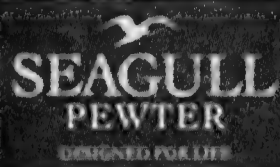


A few samples of the great things you'll see at Michelle's studio.

For the very first time Michelle will throw open the doors of her Blue Moon Studio during her open house on October 2nd and 3rd, and on the following Thanksgiving weekend. She's located at 1302 Ravine (formerly Lutterworth) Road off Highway 35 south of Minden. And this is one studio you really don't want to miss. As well, as an extra bonus, Michelle's friend and neighbour, noted rug hooker Peggy Beattie, will open her studio those weekends just across the road.

Michelle is always on the lookout for wooden windows, multi-paned doors with or without the glass, preferably WITHOUT the glass, any size, any condition. She is also looking for cardstock egg cartons for the paper mache.

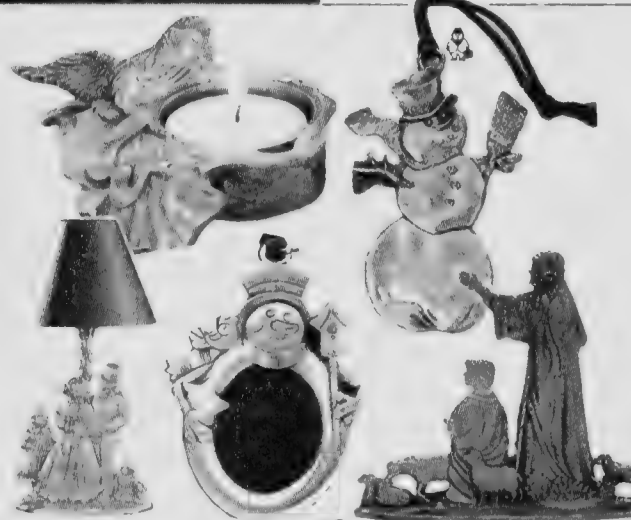
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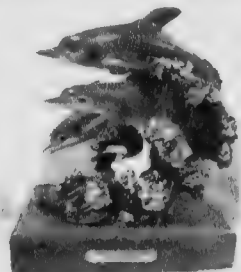
by Ian Wilson

Over the course of the summer holiday season I had seen several fires in houses and cottages on the local news. Luckily there were no lives lost, however major property damage was a result at some of these fires. Some of the houses and cottages involved in these fires did not have working smoke alarms. I also heard on the radio, announcements from the Fire Chief in Muskoka and Haliburton reminding people that working smoke alarms are required in your home, yet there are still people that do not have any smoke alarms at all.

I am retired from the Toronto Fire Services where in the last 10 years of my career I spent in Fire Prevention. Part of my job was going to a fire scene after the fire was out. Sometimes there was only smoke damage from maybe a small fire or just a pot left on the stove, but other times there was total devastation and lives lost and yes, sometimes there were no working smoke alarms.

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Be ready to enjoy another exciting Studio Tour Season, taking place over two weekends - the weekend of Oct 2 & 3, and Thanksgiving Weekend. The tour is self guided, offering participants a chance to visit the studio's of some of the area's great artisans. You can visit as many as you like, in the order you wish. The

following pages outline the participating artisans, and where they can be found.



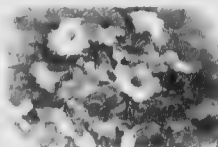
A. Steve & Maggie Longworth - Wicker-works

Maggie and Steve's original rustic twig work can be seen at their studio in

Gooderham. From furniture to garden accessories and woven baskets, antique wicker restoration chair seating. Come visit us on the web at www.wickerworks.on.ca. Located 2 km. S. of Gooderham on the W. side of Cty. Rd. 507

B. Dorothy Rawsthorne - Paintings & Weaving

Welcome to our studio, loaded with paintings in fresh colours from our garden and Loon Lake sunsets, co-ordinated with rag placemats

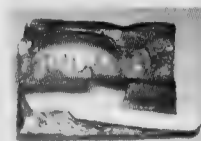


and other new goodies this year. Custom work is a joy to us. Friends come back each year with samples to match. We are located 1.5 km. from Hwy. 118, 12 km. E. of Haliburton, on Loon Lake Rd. (re-named ? formerly Ross Point Rd.) Open by appt. or chance, from early spring until snowfall. 457-2878



C. Michael & Susan Butz - Jewellery, Canoes

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D. Barbara Joy Peel - Pottery

Barbara's work is as diversified as the functional and decorative pieces and glazes she uses. Her elegant forms in porcelain are decorated in crystalline glazes. Her studio is open year round by appointment or take your chances. Located on Skyline Park Rd. (Lookout Park Rd.) off Hwy. 118, E. of Haliburton, first house on the right. 457-2752



E. Jane Selbie - Fabric Artist

A parade of seasons, whether bold or subtle, all are strongly evocative of the Highlands landscape. Magic vignettes layered in fabric, this Haliburton artist's colourful pictures are not to be missed. North on Hwy. 118, from Haliburton village, left on Bayshore Acres, first right to the end. 457-3412



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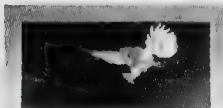
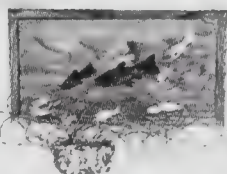
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F. Sue Forbes - Fish Out of Water Designs

Impassioned by Haliburton's natural waterscapes, Sue specializes in designing the illusion of fish in motion through her TOTALLY NEW artform.

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G. Kevin Dunlop - Marquetrie

Known for his marquetrie inlays of Canadian landscapes and wildlife, this year's show promises to be Kevin's best to date.

Along with a wide selection of current work to choose from, Kevin will also display a series of eight lifesize owls commissioned by a local patron of the arts. With some of the owls containing up to one thousand pieces of wood, you will not want to miss this unique collection. Located on Cty. Rd. 21, approx. 5 km. W. of Haliburton Village. 457-9688



H. Tom Green - Glass Eagle Studio - Stained Glass

Visit the unique studio of Tom Green on Soyers Lake and enjoy original works reflecting nature and the magic of the Highlands. Located on the corner of Cty. Rd. 121 and Blairhampton Rd. 9 km. W. of Haliburton village or 14 km. E. of Minden. Open year round.. 286-3628



I. Barry Thompson & Finn Samuelsen - Vintage Debris & Woodworking

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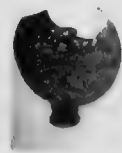
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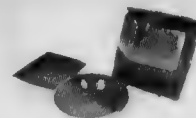
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J. Helen Newton - Silk Painting & Fabric Arts

A kaleidoscope of colour awaits you at Helen's "Seasons in Silk" studio. Beautiful silk scarves, cowl and earring sets and accessories. Drop in and discover Helen's expanded line of one-of-a-kind wearing apparel, quilts, cushions, wallhangings, all purpose cards and handcrafted gifts for the home. Located in Ingoldsby, just E. of the bridge. Lot S28. 286-1387



textures and lustres on traditional tea bowls, vessels, modern serving dishes, platters, vases and figurines. Sculptures include the wonderfully whimsical dragon tea pots and dragons from six in. to three ft. Located on Duck Lake Rd., on the corner of Reynolds Rd., 2 km. N.W. of Blairhampton Golf Course. 286-3383



K. David Hollows - Kirkony Custom Iron Works



David, Kathy and family welcome you to the Kirkony showroom. Browse through a wide variety of hand forged wrought iron candle holders, outdoor garden accessories, fireplace needs and much more. You may also find and observe David forming one of his many custom ordered creations in his workshop next door. Located 2 km. E. of South Lake Rd. on Cty. Rd. 1, or 10 mins. from Haliburton. Studio is closed Thanksgiving weekend. 286-6837

L. Leo Sepa - Iron Jive Studio - Metal Sculpture, Blacksmithing

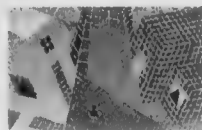
Visit Leo and Hilary at their studio and sculpture garden on scenic Moore Lake where Leo creates fine art pieces, garden art, tables, caricatures, hardware and more. He utilizes recycled metals, steel, copper, Haliburton stone and woods formulating patinas to create colour. Demonstrations Oct. 2nd and 3rd. Located 1000 ft. off Hwy. 35, in Moore Falls. Green Gables Rd. 9 km. N. of Norland. 17 km. S. of Minden. Open year round by chance or appt. 454-2577



M. Sylvia & Wayne Rose - Raku Pottery & Sculpture
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N. Rickie Woods - Potter
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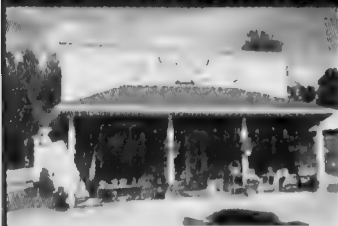
P. Grahame & Debbie Wales - Earth & Fire Pottery

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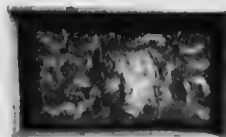
S. Rose Pearson - Painter



Rose Pearson is noted for the eclectic nature of her painting styles. A painter in acrylics and oils, Rose's work is characterized by rich colour, cultural motifs, and whimsy. Thoughtful and fun. Located 5 km. from West Guilford on Cty. Rd. 7. For a preview visit <http://www.rosepearson.com>. 754-9637

T. Cindy Vellinga - Stained Glass

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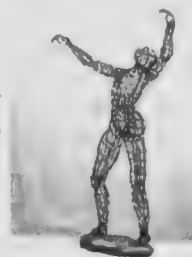
gift ideas to dazzle you. Located on Cty Rd. 14, #6675. Open year round ? week-ends 11am - 4pm or by chance or appt Webpage: <http://www.stainedglassbycindy.com> 754-3999

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V. Charles O'Neil - "Bent Offerings Studio" - Paintings, Drawings & Wire Sculpture

Known for his classic life drawings and water media paintings, Chuck now pursues art forms in various wires and metal. Over sized woodland creatures for your garden or delicate song-birds for your home. Many of Chuck's sculptures are also of a figurative nature and offer a little humour to life. From Eagle Lake: left from Sir Sam's ski area parking, Sir Sam's Drive., third driveway on the right. 754-1090



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About six years ago, Eric Christensen, his wife Katie, and her sister Pat Bett, all successful professionals in the insurance broker business in Oakville, made a big decision: it was time for a serious change, in business, in life, and most particularly in location. The trio decided to look for a resort in cottage country that would provide them with a livelihood, a pleasant place to live, and an environment relatively free of smog, noise, traffic, and high stress.

The search took a full two years, but finally they found the Buttermilk Falls Resort on Highway 35 just north of Carnarvon. The small, self-catering cottage resort had been in business for many years and boasted a beautiful location on Boshkung Lake smack up against the dramatic Buttermilk Falls. The Falls, with its concrete chute (which replaced the old wooden log chute in

1927), winds around the resort property and drops the waters of Halls Lake a full 60 feet into Boshkung.



Eric, Katie and Pat

Along with the Resort came a graceful and spacious stone house, built in the 1940s. The story is that the builder planned a three-storey hotel, but was denied a liquor licence so scrapped those plans and capped the house at one story, complete with turrets at either end.

The cottages were all in need of a serious upgrade so the partners took the opportunity to turn the property into a decidedly upscale self-catering cottage resort. They

also added two brand new luxury log cabin accommodations, built by Eric, to the original five cottages. All of them are fully equipped and include three-piece bath, electric heat, TV/VCR and wood-burning stoves. They also all have large decks, BBQs and patio furniture. And this year a "party cabin" was added to the mix so guests could get together outside their own accommodations.

The resort boasts an extensive sandy beach, a children's playground, complimentary canoes, rowboats, sailboats and paddleboats and even a large outdoor wood-fired hot tub.

Major snowmobile trails run adjacent to the property, and the Frost Centre ski trails are just a few kilometres to the north (and yes, they will be open for the 2004/2005 season!). In the winter, ice-fishing huts are available for rental.

These family partners realized from the outset that in order to be successful they needed to identify just who their clientele would be, and what they needed to offer them. So far, their attention to detail, and to marketing, is certainly paying off.

And this winter sees the start of a new and undoubtedly

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successful venture: the Buttermilk Falls Resort Pamper Spa, offered in the house's spacious and comfortable solarium.

These "Pamper Party" packages include two nights in the luxury log cabin, full manicure or pedicure by a certified esthetician, your choice of either an aromatherapy massage or a reiki treatment with a certified Reiki

master and holistic practitioner. A relaxing session in the spa's hot tub and a complimentary light lunch in front of the fire completes the picture.

The "Pamper Party"

packages are ideal for 2-3 couples, or 4-6 singles. Day Spa services are also available.

So whether you are visting the area, or even if you live here full time, why not "get away from it all" and spend a relaxing time at Buttermilk Falls Resort.

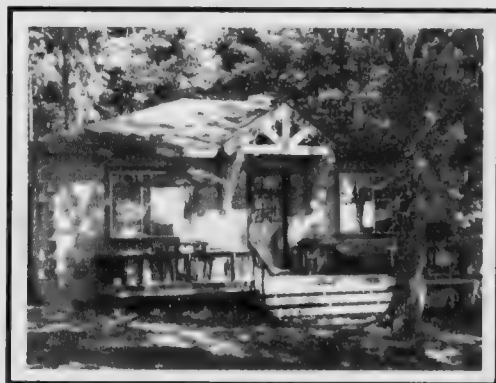
Buttermilk Falls Resort can be reached at 1-888-368-3147, or 705 489-1904, or at www.buttermilksfallsresort.com or Email them at relax@buttermilksfallsresort.com.



The Buttermilk Falls are a spectacular site you won't want to miss.

Below is one of the cabins, nestled away in the bush.

Above right is the spa room, which is very inviting.



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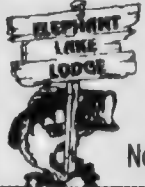
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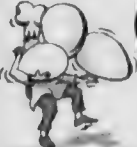


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The Wigamog Inn Resort on Lake Kashagawigamog is the spot for the 7th annual elegant evening of Dining and Dancing, which will be held in the Grand Ballroom.

"This is always an event that sells out quickly, we have already sold approximately 100 tickets already," says Dale C. Walker, Executive Director of the Haliburton Health Services Foundation. "It's a really nice evening filled with dinner, dancing, and an auction."

In fact, there are many great items up for auction, including the sealed bid auction for the Cedar Haliburton Room, which was donated by Carriage House. The auction for this fine room has been running for awhile now, and is still open, so get your bids in soon because the winner will be announced with many others at this magnificent event at around 11:00 pm.

The night starts off at 6:20 pm with a cocktail hour and dancing, followed with a wine tasting while you check out the many auctions.

Bring your appetite because a 4-5-course meal will be provided along side of a tasteful wine. "Feel free to browse the stunning resort which over looks the lake, its one of the best around," says Dale.

The Master of Ceremony will be Moose 97.7 FM, and the special featured guests are the Lincolnaires, who are a tasteful band from Oshawa. "The band is fabulous," said Dale "They're really great guys, this will be the 3rd time we've had them here... but the guests really like them, so we will continue to have them back."

Every couple to grace them with their presence will receive a free gift bag. This formal evening is in support of the Haliburton Highlands Health Services Foundation.

You will be treated to tantalizing appetizers, fine wine, excellent food and great entertainment! This is truly going to be a wonderful evening for \$110 per person.

If you wish, you will receive a tax receipt that will be issued for a portion of the cost. For more information please contact Dale C. Walker: 457-1580 / 286-1580, or you can e-mail your questions to: foundations@hhhs.on.ca

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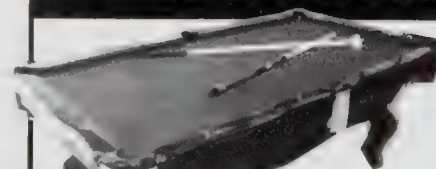
Fireworks is a juried traveling exhibition of handcrafted work in clay by members of FUSION: The Ontario Clay and Glass Association.

Pieces selected for Fireworks 2003 were based on the combined experience and expertise of two international recognized jurors, Janet Mansfield from Australia and John Chalke from Canada, who collaborated in cyberspace to choose thirty pieces for this exhibition out of 160 entries

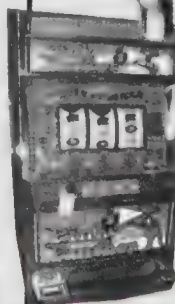
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"I suppose you're going to ask me, why in the world would I ever get myself into taking over a place like this? Don't I have enough aggravation in the world?" So says Sharold Smith, the successful operator of the Crossroads Café in Wilberforce, and now doing double duty as head of the Truck Stop in Gooderham. But she's just kidding. She clearly takes a lot of pride in her new venture. Sharold is a 15-year veteran of the restaurant business and she knows how to make them work.

And when she sees an opportunity, she grabs it, runs with it, and makes it a success. "From the signing of the lease to opening for the long weekend in July I had two whole days to get the place ready", she says. "And we did it, with menus, staff, and a whole new atmosphere."

Sharold and her day staff of cook Dorothy Mintz and server hostess Corinne French, offer much more than traditional road café fare. For one thing, it's all fresh and cooked to order: the burgers are made from scratch, the fries are all fresh cut and the soups and buns are homemade on the premises. The portions are generous, and the smiles are genuine.

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The Truck Stop is located on Highway 503 East of Gooderham and is open seven days a week from 6 am to 8 pm.



Turkey Shoot at Popcorn Pond

The Wilberforce Royal Canadian Legion is holding their annual Thanksgiving Turkey Shoot on Saturday, October 9th.

This fun-filled event starts running at 10:00 am, so don't be late. The Turkey Shoot is being held at Popcorn Pond, which is located approximately 1 ½ km south of Wilberforce, right before Wilbermere Lake.

Make sure that you look out for the signs that will be posted to find your way there. "We usually get a pretty good crowd out there, and it's always a lot of fun," says Don Flemming. "There is going to be a new added feature this year, which is going to be a special event for the ladies". Lunch and coffee will also be available.

"There will be turkeys and hams to be won, which ever you prefer," says Don "They will be won by Target Shooting, who ever gets the most pellets into their target wins one of the many turkeys or hams." Nothing is going to be stopping this event, because it's running rain or shine!

So come on down to Popcorn Pond to have a great time with friends while supporting the Legion Fundraiser.

For more information, contact Don Flemming: 448-3333



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There is going to be an awards presentation at 4:30. Dinner is going to be served at 5:00 pm. Your attendance will help support the 2005 Agricultural Fair.

For more information contact Carol Lee: 286-3154

Victorian Afternoon Tea

On Wednesday, October 13th at 12:00 pm, come join in the excitement at the Victorian Afternoon Tea, which is being held at the Hills Museum, Minden.

You will be enjoying fancy sandwiches and delicate desserts while you're entertained in Bowron Log Home. There is going to be a complimentary Cookbook included.

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Bugged about Firewood

By Greg Kennedy

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Oh no! Do I have to start cutting wood already? I hate to say it, but for me this is the time of year I get my winters' supply of wood in the shed. This year though, along with the hard work of cutting firewood comes a serious concern- Asian Long-horned Beetle and Emerald Ash Borer. Firewood often contains insects and plant diseases that may be easily spread by unknowing transporters such as you and me! Lets say you live in southwestern Ontario and you have a cottage in the Haliburton Highlands. On comes the cold weather and you decide to bring that cord of wood from behind the garage at home up to the cottage to keep the chill off for the weekend. You may be without your knowledge causing the spread of the Emerald Ash Borer (which by the way has killed millions of Ash trees in Southwestern Ontario and Southeast Michigan). Or maybe that cord of innocent enough looking wood contains the Asian Long-horned Beetle and you may very well have been involved in starting an infestation of these critters in the

area of your cottage (unknown to you of course). The Asian Long-horned Beetle has been found attacking hardwood trees between Vaughan and Toronto and there is a quarantine in affect for both of these mangy little varmints. Rule # 1 in containing the spread of these bugs is:

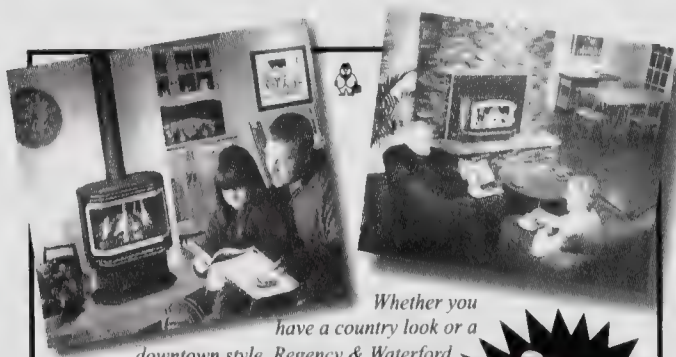
DO NOT MOVE FIREWOOD FROM ONE AREA TO ANOTHER.

Buy or cut your firewood as close as possible to the area where you will use it.

Ask the people who supply your wood where it came from. Tell everyone you know about these bugs- the spread of information is a much better result than the spread of these nasty bugs.

You can get much more information on both bugs from your local Ministry of Natural Resources office.

These two are a real and serious concern for all of us so lets try to do our part to prevent the spread because after all we all love to look at, walk in, work in, play in, ski in, hunt in well you know what I mean- The Forest. So to close lets all be safe while cutting, moving or burning firewood and I wish you all a happy Thanksgiving weekend.



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Wilberforce United Church: Celebrating 115 Years

When the first European settlers arrived in Haliburton County during the mid 1800s their first priority was to clear the land and build shelters. As settlements grew and prospered, or at least survived, schools and churches began to be built and would soon become the centre of community life.

In 1855 the settlers in Cardiff Township at Kidd's Corners built what's believed to be the first Methodist Church in the County. In 1889, as that settlement thinned out, the log building was moved to a plot of land near Wilbermere Lake in South Wilberforce. The land was donated by Henry and Isabella Coukell, along with another half acre for a schoolhouse. This active community was known at the time as the Ritchie Settlement and included many large farming families.



ago in 1904. The pulpit and altar rail, still in use today, were built by one of the original parishioners, Mr. James Newbatt. Heat was supplied by a big box stove with pipes running the entire length of the building.

In 1925 the Methodist Church joined with the Presbyterian and Congregational churches to be known as the United Church of Canada. But the Wilberforce church, with its square, flat ceiling, will always be a reminder of a Methodist past.

This lovely old church has seen good times and bad during its 115 years: during the Depression years the Church records show Sunday offerings of between 2 and 10 cents per Sunday!



But the spirit of its parishioners ensured its survival, and prosperity.



So this year marks the 115th anniversary of what's now known as the Wilberforce United Church. The present structure replaced the original log church 100 years

Throughout the years Wilberforce United Church has been an important and active part of its community. For many years now the Church has been the home of the well-known Gentlemen of Song, and just twenty years ago an impressive addition, the Christian Education Centre, was added. A ramp for the disabled has since been added, along with new siding to ensure the Church happily survives another century.

Charlie and Myrtle Weedmark and all the proud parishioners of Wilberforce United invite everyone to join with them to celebrate this anniversary at a special service at 11:30 am,

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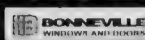
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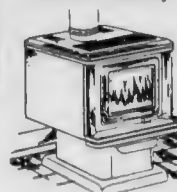
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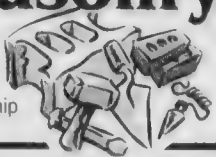


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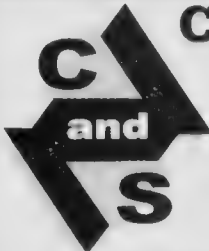
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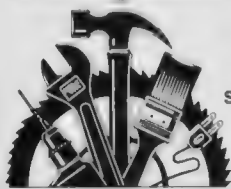
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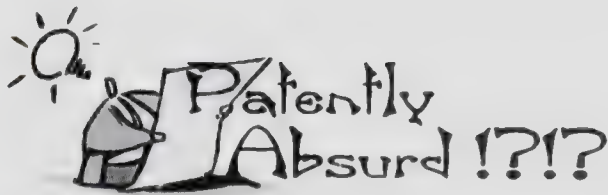


Why? Because ... Scientifically Speaking



How large is the heart of a blue whale?

A blue whale's heart is about the size of a small car. Its major arteries are large enough for a child to crawl through.



This column features real patents from real inventors, but not products we will probably see on the shelf too soon...

US05934226 - Bird diaper

...featuring an enclosed pouch... and apertures to accommodate both the wings and the tail of the bird.



Worldly



Heart Attack Victim Gets Traffic Ticket

NEW ORLEANS - Folks, don't get critically sick in Louisiana! A Louisiana sheriff's deputy is under investigation for allegedly delaying a hospital-bound heart attack victim for 30 minutes while writing a ticket. Jefferson Parish Deputy Bryan McClendon stopped the car carrying 50-year-old Benjamin Basile and some family members after the driver allegedly ran a red light. Basile says McClendon mocked the family and even threatened to arrest him while he and family members begged the officer to let them proceed. According to Basile's relatives, when McClendon finally issued the ticket, he said: "Y'all go ahead and have your heart attack or stroke now. Have a good day." Basile is in stable condition after spending a week in intensive care.

Would you be interested in helping to plan for the delivery of mental health services in Haliburton?

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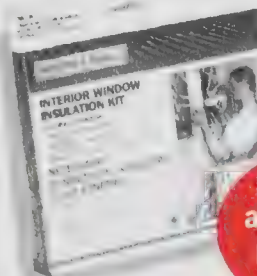
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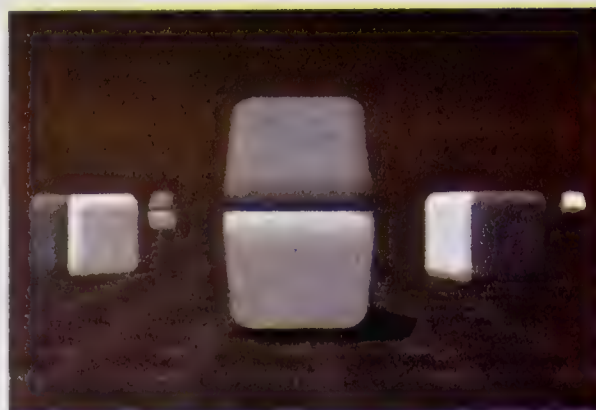
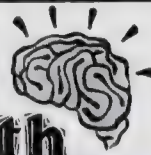
Remember - if you operate a business, or are starting a new business, have an interesting story to tell, have an event coming up, or have a great idea for a column - give us a call. We want to promote you, your business, your event - FREE!! The Communicator is a family owned and operated business run by Brett Irvine (raised in Wilberforce), myself (Joanne), and our son Shawn. We have had a terrific year and, coincidentally enough, we celebrate our Business Anniversary with our wedding - taking place October 2 - October will certainly be a memorable month for years to come!

Our office will be closed for the week of Oct. 2 - Oct. 9 - it's Honeymoon time - although we're not going too far away, we need the short break from all the wedding planning and busy summer of work.

The office will re-open after our Honeymoon week. The phone message machine is always on, so please feel free to leave a message if you need to reach us.

Again, we thank one and all - we truly appreciate our advertisers & readers and all who submit articles & jokes.

Brain Teaser of the Month



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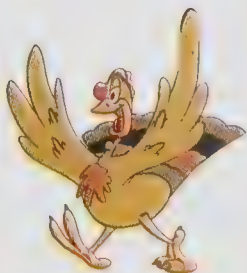
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Spot The Differences

Can you spot the 12 differences in these two pictures?



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Monthly Crossword

Okay, we've had a lot of requests to start a monthly crossword... so we thought we would start with an easy one to get people into the swing of these things... enjoy...



Across

1. First letter of the alphabet. (Also, 'The Scarlet Letter'.)

Down

1. Part of 'at,' not 'L.' (Also, best grade on a report card.)



Church Events

Highland Tea Room & Boutique October 2

St. Peter's Anglican Church

On Sat, Oct. 2, while you are on the Studio Tour drop into St Peter's Anglican Church Maple Lake and visit the Highland Tea Room and Boutique. Relax and enjoy an old fashioned tea in the lovely 99 year old stone church. There will be dainty sandwiches, scones with jam and cream as well as tea, coffee and sweets served from 11am to 5pm. After tea you can shop for attic treasures, knitting and handmade crafts.

St Peter's Church is located on St Peter's Church road which runs north from Hwy 118 just east of Carnarvon. For more information call Pat Bonnell, 489-3207

Soup & Sandwich Luncheon Ingoldsby United Church

October 2 - 11 am-4pm

October 3 - 12am-3pm

Soup, sandwiches, beverage & dessert

Turkey Supper October 9

St. Peter's Anglican Church

There will be 3 seatings, 5, 6 & 7pm. Come for an old-fashioned turkey dinner, followed by delicious home-baked pies. Adults \$15.00, Children 5-12 \$7.00, under 5 free. The beautiful 99-year-old stone church is located on St Peter's Church Road, which runs north off Hwy 118 just east of Carnarvon. For tickets please call Geraldine at 705- 754-4428

115th Anniversary Celebration October 17th

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If you are writing your memoirs, involved in genealogy, or tackling the history of your home or hometown, this workshop will be an opportunity for learning and sharing you won't want to miss. Held in the Pine Studio from 9 to noon, the workshop will be followed by a delicious lunch of soup, salads, finger sandwiches and decadent desserts. Participants may then book private discussion time with the instructor and relax into an afternoon of writing.

Cost (includes lunch): \$40 for HHWEN members; \$45 non-members.

Instructor, Marjorie Ludlow Green is a substantive and stylistic editor, freelance journalist and historian who has been mentoring and motivating writers since 1987. For information or to register, call Marjorie at 286-2592.

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There were 15 sams in the last issue. They were hidden in the following ads: McMahon Feeds and Needs, Minden Valu Mart, Curry Motors, CRS, Boatwerks, Northshore Lawn and Garden, Minden Hills Museum, Millpond Restaurant, D & K Masonry, Outdoors Plus, Highland Leisure, Tri-County Distributors, Antiques and Neat Stuff, Highland Electric, and Harvest Bulk and Health Foods.

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Buttermilk Falls Resort - pg. 36 & 37

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It's A Wabi-Sabi World - Art exhibit focuses on our interconnectedness and the synchronicity of nature

Defining wabi-sabi can prove as elusive as defining the proverbial elephant by its individual parts. Wabi-sabi has its origins in the Japanese tea ceremony and is associated with simplicity, naturalness, and the imperfection and impermanence of things real. These are all themes that westerners associate rightly with Japanese idealized beauty and art forms. But wabi-sabi is more than that. It is a state of mind. Expressed in Rikyu poetry, it often conveys the bittersweet comfort of an impermanent, shared existence. Wabi-sabi has always been linked with the philosophy of Zen and some, like Haliburton photo artist Nevada Truchan, see in it a bond with the Canadian aboriginal.

"I have incorporated wabi-sabi into all of my photo art. I am particularly drawn to 'Hadui' the Seneca word for the wooden-face beings that appear everywhere in nature," says Nevada. "I have brought wabi-sabi into the labyrinth at the Labyrinth Gallery Studio. This labyrinth conforms to the natural contours and hillocks of the ground and rocks, and the paths are separated by indigenous wild flowers and herbs that come and go with the seasons. These in turn attract a variety of wildlife and insects. It has the perfect aesthetic of nature, but some would consider it imperfect or rustic because it lacks the geometric precision and control of formalized western art forms."

Nevada will be joined at the Labyrinth Gallery Studio in Haliburton during the fall tour by guest artists from Haliburton, Donald, Minden, Tory Hill, and Toronto. The works of these artists reflect a continuum of styles and media that range from photo art to sacred aboriginal objects to exquisite celtic and native line drawings. Dev Khalsa is a well-known photo artist from Donald, whose work has been featured and acclaimed throughout the highlands. Paul St. Onge, a successful and published photo artist from Toronto, has been a frequent visitor here and his love of the region's beauty is evident in each of his photographic works. Haliburton sculptor Roy Collison's richly hued pieces in cedar are highly prized among collectors and incorporate themes from primitive mythologies. Tory Hill artist Robin Simpson has received international acclaim for his fine craftsmanship and for the reverence that he brings to sacred native ceremonial art pieces that blend historical accuracy and artistic interpretation. Minden artist Donna Bisschop is renowned for her pen and inks. A recent, high-profile commission for the World Wildlife Fund and the Forestry Stewardship Council combines graceful, stunning line with scrupulous detail. Donna, like each of these artists, brings a finely-tuned sensibility to her work, and each exhibitor focuses on our interconnectedness and to the synchronicity of nature.

Artists love to share their art and their ideas. The public is welcome to visit this exhibit to see award-winning art pieces and to learn ... about wabi-sabi ... labyrinths ... photo art ... sacred art ... celtic, and wildlife art. The Labyrinth Studio Gallery is located at 5 Riverside Drive in the village of Haliburton and will be open on the weekend of October 2nd, through the October 9th Thanksgiving weekend, and beyond. You can call ahead for directions at (705) 457-1064 or email truchan@halhinet.on.ca.

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Minden O.P.P. : *Patrolling A Huge Area They Call Home*

"Treat us with respect, and we'll always treat you with respect," says OPP Constable Mark McMaster, the force's popular Community Service Officer for the Minden Detachment. And, happily, in this widespread community, respect is pretty much what the force's officers receive.

The OPP's Minden Detachment is responsible for one large chunk of territory. Under the command of Staff Sergeant Tim Pierce, the force patrols almost 4,000 square kilometres of forest, towns, hamlets, farms, and cottages.

The County also has approximately 200 lakes, most of which have to be patrolled as well, as marine safety regulations are enforced primarily by the OPP. During the winter, the force also maintains a significant presence on Haliburton's extensive network of snowmobile trails. Haliburton also has over 1,300 kilometres of highways and roads that must be constantly patrolled.

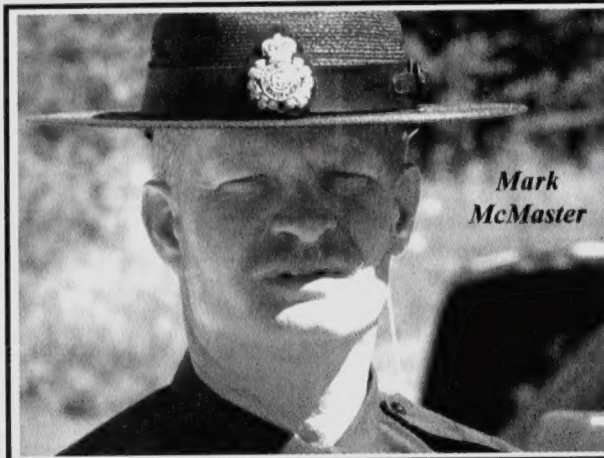
Policing a rural and cottage area like Haliburton poses particular challenges for the force. The relationship between the police and the permanent population of about 14,000 is pretty close. After all, the officers and their families live in this tight-knit community and have a big personal stake in keeping it safe and secure. It's really like policing one small town where the line between the citizens and the force is much less "us and them" and more just "us." When the population balloons to approximately 60,000 during the summer months, that naturally changes, but the force's community roots are still there. It's sure not a matter of patrolling the downtown streets of a big city and then, at the end of your shift, retreating to the suburbs. More like taking your neighbour's kid along with your own to hockey practice, or dropping in at the local supermarket to pick up supper. Many officers are actually listed in the phone book, and, according to Constable McMaster, "our phones don't ring off the hook with complaints, or worse, threats. We get the occasional idiot, but it's really rare."

Constable McMaster moved to Haliburton in 1990 with his wife and family partly because the idea of being a police officer in a small community was much more appealing than being just one more anonymous officer on a city beat. Although his first few years here were marked with the type of terrible tragedy usually associated with the big bad city – the senseless murder in 1993 of his colleague and friend, 24-year-old Constable Eric Nystedt, during a family violence investigation – McMaster and his family wouldn't change their location for the world.

Haliburton County has its fair share of criminal activity, of course. The force last year had to investigate over 1300 Criminal Code incidents along with another 1656 general incidents. That's a total of almost 3000 break and enters, robberies, assaults, "domestics," drug busts and just plain complaints. Haliburton also poses a significant policing challenge due to the large number of cottages, many of which are now really permanent homes that are left uninhabited for large stretches of time. During the last few years the OPP has made major improvements in battling cottage crime with the establishment of five Rural and Agricultural Crime Teams (RACT) throughout the province. The teams provide "crime analysis, investigative leadership and expertise to reduce break and enters, recover stolen property, and curtail agriculture and forestry crime." The teams work with local OPP detachments to apprehend mobile, organized crime groups.

As in all other jurisdictions in Ontario, Haliburton has its

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Minden O.P.P. Cont'd...

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share of serious, organized pot growing operations. With thousands of acres of fertile forest, it's no surprise that a few acres end up, as they say, under cultivation. These investigations alone require a lot of time and personnel. So just what's required to provide adequate police coverage for this territory?

The Minden detachment covers the County with just 24 full-time constables, five Sergeants, five civilians, and one Staff Sergeant. They have just six marked cars, two unmarked, and 2 boats. Among the 24 constables are four detectives, three marine officers, seven breathalyser technicians, one community service officer, 2 emergency response team officers, five scene of the crime constables, one court officer, and one dedicated break and enter officer. These officers also of course regularly patrol the county in addition to their specialized duties.

As well, the detachment maintains five community-policing offices (Dorset, Minden, Haliburton, Wilberforce, and Gooderham). And community is really what it's all

about. Constable McMaster conducts many school courses, for example, such as the D.A.R.E. program (Drug Abuse Resistance Education), and has a great deal of respect for our local schools, and their teachers and students. When he describes a rare ugly incident- "last summer there were a bunch of kids getting rowdy at a bush party and when we showed up they fired bottles and such at us"- you can hear the real regret and disappointment in his voice.

But for the most part County residents and cottagers provide the local OPP with lots of what they apparently deserve: cooperation, and lots of good old-fashioned respect.



Urban Legends

Here is an Urban Legend about a family that got what was coming to them.

The family decided to test the edibility of unknown mushrooms on the family cat. The cat seems to enjoy its meal, and the family and their dinner guests eat the rest of the mushrooms with good appetite.

After the dinner, however, the cat is found lying dead on the front yard. Off they go to have their stomachs washed and pumped, which, of course, ruins the pleasant evening.

The final twist comes in the morning: they are visited by a distraught man who apologizes for hitting their cat with his car the previous evening. The moral? They should never have tested the mushrooms on the poor creature in the first place. It served them right.

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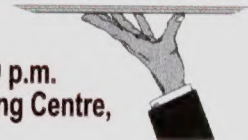
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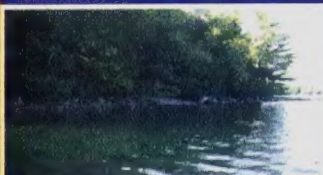
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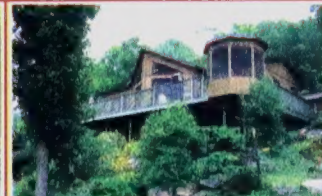
Business opportunity on hwy 35 Carnarvon, live next door to your own business. 2 br home, new carpet, plumbing, windows & roof. nice lawn area. commercial bldg - 3000 sq. ft., new oil furnace, loading dock into storage area, hardwood floors, separate office space, large bsmt. for storage. lg. paved yard. zoning is c1, bc & residential. ideal for antique store, vegetable market, organic produce, crafts & hobbies, restaurant, possibilities are endless for this income producing property.

\$375,000.00



Move in 2100 sq. ft. 4 bdrm cedar shake meticulously finished cottage, 2 baths, hot tub rm, sauna, FP, family rm, eat in kitchen, built in appliances, open concept all pine interior, dr. wall. Lge decks 216 ft sand shore. SW exp

\$549,000.00



Custom 4 bdrm home with over 2000 sq. ft. of living space, pine cathedral ceiling, 2 - 4 pc baths, the full finished w/o bsmt has family room with airtight, a possible games rm, laundry & storage room. Ground source heat with central air, landscaped, 2 car garage and paved drive. Access to a 3 lake chain across quiet road. With a breath taking view and more.

\$349,900.00



Square timber / 2900 sq ft living space, 6 bdrms, 3 baths, hot tub, fireplace, double garage, loft. Level lot, 290 ft sand beach, SW exp. Privacy!

\$925,000.00



Wow!! Privacy plus a tranquil setting. This lot has 229 feet of frontage with sand shoreline. Excellent building site with a view of big lake. Quiet sheltered bay on prestigious Kennisis Lake. VTB on approval.

\$185,000.00



Ideal building lot, 2 acres with 250 ft frontage on Kennisis Lake with big lake view. Area of prestigious cottages. Well treed and private. Sand and rock shore and deep water. Year round road with hydro at road.

Asking \$269,000.00



Look! 154 ft. of great waterfront on Little Redstone. South west exposure, level frontage and elevated to the rear. Driveway partially in. Hydro and telephone close by. At this price don't wait.

\$169,900.00



50 acres, hardwood, mostly maple bush. Ideal for maple syrup. Fairly high land. Very private. Abundance of wildlife, good hunting (if desired). Hydro and well put in 15 years ago. Old home has been removed. Vendor will consider taking a mortgage.

Offered for sale @ \$79,000.00

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